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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Fumiyasu IIIRAI et al.

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METHOD FOR REMOVING THE TRANSFORMING GROWTH FACTOR-β BY

ADSORPTION (As Amended)

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231



Date: March 31, 2003

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2002 for a second month from March 4, 2003 to April 4, 2003. A previously submitted Request for Extension of Time has extended the period for response from February 4, 2003 to March 4, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$1,050.00 (\$300.00 + \$750.00) to cover the cost of the extension and the Request for Continued Examination. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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